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Here is the opportunity for residents to back up a movement that will enable Granville to feel really proud of itself. The eyesore which greets the traveller when the train approaches the station from Sydney will be converted into a thing of attractiveness.

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RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED 9th AUGUST, 1924.

State Championship (Gardiner Cup)

Balmain Gladstones beat Two Blues 3-1.
Sydney beat Pyrmont Rangers.
Premiership
Granville beat Balmain Fernleigh 5-2
Gladesville beat Auburn 2-0.
2nd Division
Pyrmont beat St. George 2-1.
Rangers beat Leichhardt 1-0.
West Sydney beat Lachlan Rangers 6-0.
Canterbury drew with Balmain Scottish 2-2.

Sunlight Cup.

Annandale Altona beat South Sydney 6-0.
Pyrmont beat Booralee Rovers 2-0.
Sunlight beat Manly 6-1.
Campsie Thistles beat Drummoyne 1-0.
Matters beat Callan Park 6-1.
Alexandria beat Fire Brigades 3-1.
Sydney beat Gladesville 3-1.
Botany Albions beat Lilyfield Rangers 6-1.
Eastern Suburbs beat Burns Club 3-0.
Bankstown beat North Sydney 1-0.
West Sydney drew with Garden Island 1-1.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Granville	11	9	1	1	40	14	19
Two Blues	10	4	2	4	13	12	12
Auburn	11	3	4	4	11	16	10
Bal. Gladstones	9	3	3	3	15	22	9
Pyrmont Rgs.	10	3	4	3	22	19	9
Sydney	10	2	3	5	15	13	9
Gladesville	10	3	4	3	16	25	9
Bal. Fernleigh	11	—	6	5	7	18	5

COMPETITION TABLES.

2nd Division

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Rangers	12	8	2	2	38	13	18
Pyrmont	12	7	2	3	34	19	17
West Sydney	12	5	1	6	33	17	16
St. George	11	6	3	2	27	14	14
Leichhardt	11	5	4	2	25	19	12
Bal. Scottish	12	2	7	3	13	34	7
Lachlan Rgs.	12	3	9	—	20	41	6
Canterbury	12	1	9	2	18	51	4

SUNLIGHT CUP

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Ann. Altona	2	2	—	—	9	0	4
Matters	2	2	—	—	9	1	4
Alexandria	2	2	—	—	6	2	4
Bankstown	2	2	—	—	4	1	4
Pyrmont	2	1	—	1	3	1	3
Sydney	2	1	—	1	4	2	3
Sunlight	2	1	—	1	8	3	3
Botany Albions	2	1	—	1	8	3	3
Eastern Suburbs	2	1	—	1	6	3	3
Garden Island	2	1	—	1	3	2	3
Callan Park	2	1	—	1	3	7	2
Lilyfield Rgs.	2	1	—	1	4	6	2
Booralee Rovers	2	1	—	1	5	5	2
Campsie Thistle	2	1	—	1	2	2	2
West Sydney	2	—	1	1	2	4	1
Manly	2	—	1	1	4	9	1
Gladesville	2	—	2	—	1	6	0
South Sydney	2	—	2	—	0	9	0
Fire Brigades	2	—	2	—	1	6	0
Northern Suburbs	2	—	2	—	1	3	0
Drummoyne	2	—	2	—	3	6	0
Burns Club	2	—	2	—	1	6	0

A BENEFIT MATCH. To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—
Will you kindly publish through your columns of "Soccer News" that the next match between Balmain Scottish and Leichhardt will be a benefit match tendered to one of Leichhardt players, who has been in hospital for the past nine months, tickets to be 1/- (one shilling) each. All clubs are kindly requested to purchase at least five tickets.

Thanking you in anticipation,
Yours, etc.,

KEITH F. LORIMER,
Hon. Sec. Leichhardt F.C.

THE REFEREES.

The Examination Board for referees appointed by the N.S.W. Association are Messrs. T. Crawford (South Maitland), W. Wright (Metropolitan), and W. Cunningham (South East).

The first examination conducted by the Board will probably be held at Newcastle on Saturday night, the 23rd.

All N.S.W. referees' certificates issued previously have been cancelled. Only those referees who qualify again by examination will in future be eligible for appointment to matches under the jurisdiction of the N.S.W. Association.

POT SHOTS.

It has been suggested since the big score over United Juniors that a certain team's nickname be changed from "Magpies" to "Cockies."

Mr. Will Knight wishes to contradict the report that he is anxious to get on the Management Committee. Mr. Will Knight is a Knight.

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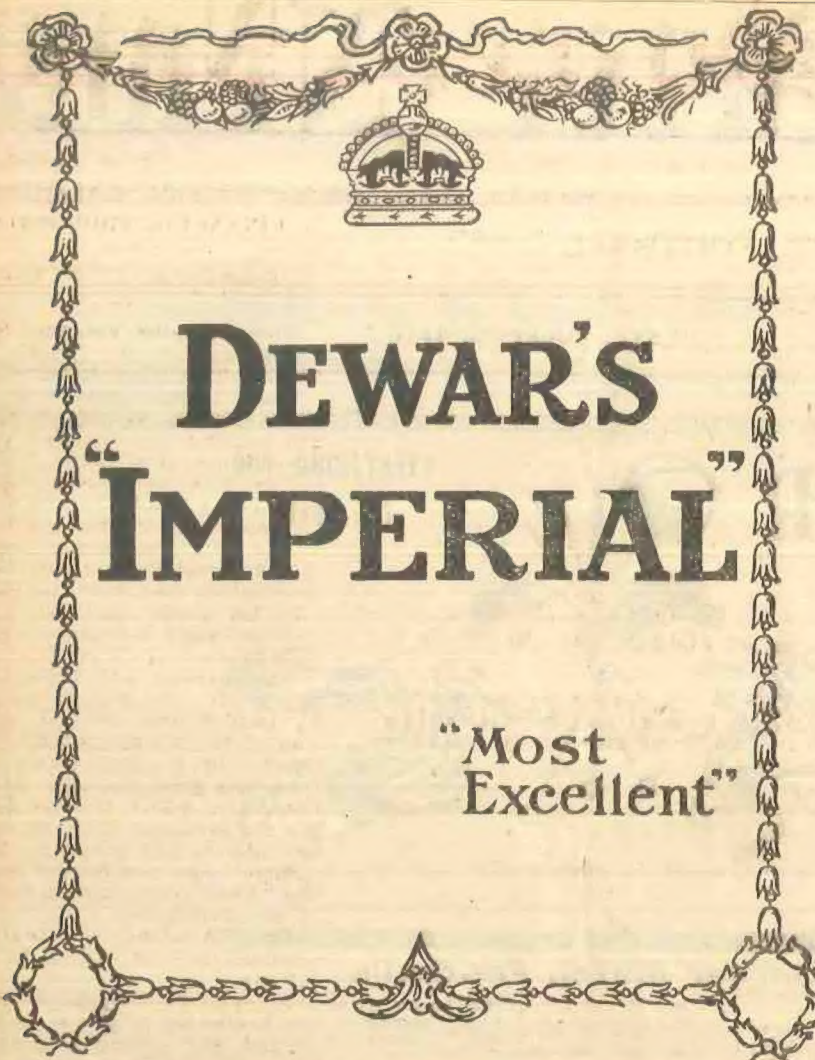
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LAWS OF THE GAME.

Questions and Answers.

Law 9:

Q.: How many penalty offences are there, and what are they?

A.: Nine. Intentionally—

1. Tripping an opponent.
2. Kicking an opponent.
3. Jumping at an opponent.
4. Striking an opponent.
5. Handling the ball.
6. Holding an opponent.
7. Pushing an opponent.
8. Charging an opponent violently or dangerously.
9. Charging an opponent from behind.

Note.—1, 2, and 3 with the feet; 4, 5, 6 and 7 with the hands; 8 and 9 with the body.

Q.: What punishment may you inflict for these offences?

A.: If outside the penalty area a free kick from which a goal may be scored direct. Inside the penalty area, a penalty kick.

Q.: When may a player be charged in the back?

A.: When he is facing his own goal and intentionally obstructing.

Q.: Would you allow such a charge to be rough?

A.: No.

Q.: What is a fair charge?

A.: An impact given on the run with the shoulder, not violent or dangerous.

Q.: What decision would you give against a player who charged the goalkeeper while in the act of playing the ball?

A. Free kick.

Q.: When can a goalkeeper be charged?

A.: 1. When actually holding the ball.

2. When obstructing an opponent.

3. When outside the goal area, Law 8:

Q.: Would you allow a goalkeeper to take more than two steps while bouncing the ball on his hands?

A.: No.

Q.: Would you allow a goalkeeper to take more than two steps while bouncing the ball on the ground?

A.: Yes.

Q.: Can a goalkeeper throw the ball over the head of an opposing player, step around him, and regather the ball before touching the ground?

A.: Yes; this is not regarded as "carrying."

Q.: If an opponent attempts to kick the ball out of the goalkeeper's grip when he falls to the grounds, and hugs the ball in his attempt to save his goal, what would be your decision?

A.: The game should be stopped if in your opinion you think the action or actions are likely to be dangerous, not otherwise.

DID YOU KNOW THAT.

Sydney is the first team to qualify for the semi-final of the Gardiner Cup. The other semi-finals will be the winners of Balgownie and Woonona, to be decided at Bodes, on the 30th August; the winners of Balmain, Fernleigh and Wallsend to-day, and the winners of the Kurri Kurri v W. Wallsend or Balmain Gladstones match.

It is hoped to stage the final of the Gardiner Cup on September 20th. If the match is played in Sydney, it will be probably set down for decision at the Sydney Sports Ground.

The Adamstown-Kurri Kurri Richardson Cup match terminated with a quarter of an hour to go at Abermain last Saturday. Referee T. Crawford sending five of the Adamstown players off the field and then abandoning the game.

Referee A. L. Peaty is refereeing at the South Coast to-day, and next week Mr. W. Wright will referee the Balgownie-Woonona Gardiner Cup fixture.

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DISTRICT FOOTBALL

Adopted for Next Year.

BIG MEETING MAKES DECISION.

The special general meeting of the Metropolitan Soccer Football Association last Monday night adopted the principle of District Football for next year, and instructed the special sub-committee to draft new competition rules for submission to the Annual Rules Revision meeting. The decision was only come to after the question was discussed for over two and a quarter hours, and the voting was very close, being 54 for, and 52 against.

At 10.40 p.m. it was decided to adjourn the meeting till next Monday night, the 25th inst., when the meeting will, in accordance with the procedure adopted, be asked to give an expression of opinion on the following points:—

- (a) The Districts and Boundaries recommended by the sub-committee.
- (b) The main recommendations of the sub-committee (1) to (5).
- (c) Other recommendations (1) to (6).
- (d) Whether Junior Associations should provide for players over the age of 21 years.

Last Monday night the debate was characterised by a gratifying absence of personal acrimony, and it is hoped that next Monday the delegates will again pay strict attention to the business before the meeting. It behoves all those who were for various reasons against the introduction of District Football to now assist in the bringing about of the new system, so that next year we will have a successful year, not only because of the system adopted, but because of the co-operation of everybody concerned.

On Monday night let us all decide that we will legislate for the good of the game; the deciding of the districts and the boundaries will surely be contentious, but the only way to approach the question is with an unbiassed mind, and a willingness to give or to take according to what will be deemed the best interests of the game.

The Granville District Football Association have a charter from the New South Wales Association to conduct within its area a senior competition (equivalent to the Second Grade of the Metropolitan Association), and all lower grade competitions.

The area of the Granville Association includes the municipalities of Auburn, Lidcombe, and Homebush, which are included in the proposed western districts. The proposed area of the Granville District Club is the municipalities of Granville, Parramatta, Ermington, Rydalmere, and Dundas.

FINANCIAL PROPOSALS.

Organisation Next Year.

The following are the recommendations of the special sub-committee on the financial side:—

That district clubs shall each be subsidised by an amount of £25 making the donation of the associations in all £200.

That it be laid down that district clubs shall have headquarters approved by the Association.

That where a district club has a home ground approved by the Association the gate takings of all 1st grade matches played thereon shall be distributed as follows:—

Tax, ground and referee's expenses plus the ground charge to be decided upon by the Association at the commencement of the season, to be first of all taken from the gross receipts, and the remainder, which shall be deemed the net proceeds, shall be divided as follows:—40 per cent. to the "Home" club and 30 per cent. to the "Away" club, and 30 per cent. to the Association.

On Association controlled grounds the distribution to be as follows:—

A rental to be decided upon at the beginning of the season, tax ground, and referee's expenses, to be subtracted from the gross receipts the nett proceeds to be divided, 50 per cent. to the Association, and 25 per cent. to each of the competing clubs; the Association to bear the whole of the cost of advertising, as well as all the administrative expenses in connection with the game.

The Districts Proposed.

The following are the districts with the boundaries of each, recommended by the special committee:—

Balgownie.—The municipalities of Balmain, Drummoyne, up to Hampden Rd., Five Dock, Gladesville and Ryde.

Annandale-Leichhardt.—Municipalities of Annandale, Leichhardt, Petersham and that part of the municipality of Drummoyne west of Hampden Road, Five Dock.

Pymont.—Municipalities of Glebe, Newtown, Erskineville, Darlinghurst, Camperdown, Redfern and Alexandria, and that part of the City of Sydney known as Pymont, Ultimo, and Millers Point.

Sydney.—The City of Sydney excluding that part already included in the Pymont territory, and the municipalities of Waterloo, Mascot, Botany, Randwick, Paddington, Waverley, Woollahra, Vaucluse, Lane Cove, Willoughby, North Sydney, Manly and Mosman.

Canterbury.—Municipality of Enfield, Marrickville, St. Peters and Bankstown.

St. George.—Municipality of Hurstville, Kogarah, Bexley and Rockdale.

Western Suburbs.—Municipalities of Auburn, Lidcombe, Homebush, Strathfield, Concord, Burwood and Ashfield.

Granville.—Municipalities of Granville, Parramatta, Ermington, Rydalmere and Dundas.

BRIGHTER FOOTBALL.

Players Must Cut Out the Tactics which make for Dull Games and Bored Spectators.

(By Andy Wilson, Middlesborough's Famous Centre-Forward.)

As one of the footballers with a fondness for listening to and reading what other people say about the game, I suppose that every match is not so full of thrills as some onlookers would like.

I think some matches are dull because goals are apt to be rather scarce. There is a thrill about a game in which goals are being scored, and I know a number of people who seldom seem to appreciate a contest which ends with the score-sheet blank.

In my opinion these enthusiasts are wrong. Writing as a player, I say that some of the most thrilling matches in which I have ever taken part have ended in goalless draws.

Surely the first idea regarding a goalless draw is that the teams were equally matched—that it was "pull devil, pull baker" all the time—and equality is, in theory, at any rate, the very essence of a contest.

Attack the Best Defence.

Still, I can sympathise with people who believe that goalless draws are dull games. Some of

them must be, from the onlookers standpoint, and it is in this connection that I want to point to a modern tendency which makes for dullness. This modern tendency is towards destructive rather than constructive football.

There used to be a good football slogan, oft repeated, to the effect that attack was the best kind of defence. Personally, I believe modern football would be improved if that motto were hung up in every dressing-room, and if the players of every big club could be induced to act up to it.

It is just as true to-day as ever it was, that attack is the best defence, but we seem to be in danger of forgetting. And dull football will surely result if concentration on defence becomes the master idea in tactics.

This idea, that some football is dull because of the necessity for attacking is overlooked, is a delicate one for me. In touching upon it I run certain risks; the suggestion may be made, for instance, that I am making excuses for myself. But the risk has to be run, so here goes!

Do you know what is my chief impression of centre half-backs in First League football to-day? It is a set of fellows who rather "fancy themselves" as policemen. They stick to me closer than a brother from start to finish of a match, and so long as they keep me from having a pot-shot at goal or really leading the forward line they seem to be absolutely happy.

I suppose a player who is considered worthy of undivided attention ought to feel flattered. Perhaps I do, in a way, but right down at bottom I know that the centre half, who does nothing but shadow the opposing centre-forward is making for dull football. The play of the centre-half, as I like to think of it, consists in the fellow occupying that position continually setting his forwards in motion; pushing the ball down the middle to his centre-forward, or along to the left or right wing.

Why Not Half-forwards?

That the centre-forward must defend at times is accepted by everybody. But that doesn't mean he should do nothing else but defend. Here is an idea which just occurs to me. How would it be if we altered the name of half-backs, and called them half-forwards instead? They should certainly be just as much. Some of them don't seem to appreciate the fact.

Think what happens when the half-backs are almost entirely destructive. The forwards, who in the ordinary way would look to the half-backs for the ball, have to fetch and carry for themselves, and having to do this throws the forward line out of gear, because the forward who goes back for the ball is out of position.

There is nothing in football, in my opinion, so pretty to watch as a forward movement in which every member of the attack takes part, and if that movement is finished with a quick shot into the net, then the happiness of the spectators should be complete. But matches in which half-backs forget the attacking duties are almost certain to be more or less dull.

THE ART OF REFEREEING.

(Continued)

5. Position of Referees at a corner kick.

Some referees take up a stand on the inside post of the goal; this in my opinion is wrong.

First, he is standing in the "sight" of the goalkeeper.

Second, if he gives the goalkeeper room to see the ball kicked, he (the referee) is not in a straight line to judge whether ball goes "out" in the air.

The referee's position should be near the far post; then he has all the players in front of him, and he is in not in anybody's way.

5. Position of Referees at a penalty kick.

The referee's position is near the goal post square with the goal line, and not on the 18 yard line.

I have asked many referees why they stand on the 18 yards line, and the answer is, to note any player that advances over the line before the penalty kick is taken.

When they are asked the question: which is the greatest mistake, making an error of judgment, e.g., a ball being over the line and returned into play by the goalkeeper, or an infringement by a player coming over the 18 yard line before the kick is taken, they will admit that the greatest error would be in not giving a goal when the ball was over the goal line. Referees should stand near the goal line when a penalty kick is taken.

Yours for the good old game of Soccer.

T. CRAWFORD,
Pres. S.M.B.F.A. Ref.'s Assn.

The N.D.B.F. Association

By Full Back.

WESTON OUT WALLSEND.

NEATH AND NEW LAMBTON PLAY ANOTHER DRAW.

New Lambton were at home to Neath, and neither team succeeded in notching a goal. Bowser Mitchell, of Rugby League fame, donned the jersey for the Chatrocks, and played a good game. Sternbeck was not available for Neath, but the substitute goalie played a great game. This is the second meeting of the two teams this season, and on both occasions no goals were scored. Either good keeping on the part of the goalies, or bad shooting of the forwards. The latter the writer believes is responsible. Few forwards seem to be able to finish at the critical moment.

KURRI AGAIN DEFEAT ADAMSTOWN.

Kurri had a large crowd to witness the third meeting with the Buds. Adamstown defeated Kurri at Adamstown 2 goals to 1. Kurri reversed that in the State event, and again by the same score defeated the Buds on the Kurri ground, despite all rumors, a good clean game eventuated. Phillips got both Kurri's goals, while Alex Cameron scored a beauty for the Buds. For Kurri, Bennett has made good, and is a good general. Phillips played one of his best games, while Alex Cameron was the Bud's best forward.

CESSNOCK OUT WESTON 2nd IN KERR CUP.

At Cessnock, Cessnock defeated Weston 2nd by 5 goals to 1. This puts all the second graders out of this Cup, and Cessnock by their win enter round No. 2. Percy Lennard stood out as Cessnock's best, and is quickly getting back to his old form. Secretary Fred Vosper states that the Kerr Cup will stay in Cessnock.

WEST WALLSEND v. MAYFIELD

West Wallsend visited Mayfield in the E.H.S. Cup competition, and put up a record in goal scoring. The State champions were without Jack Coutts in goal, who is still unable to play. Hen Maunder was also absent, nursing an injury to his shin. Frank Coolahan, who was suffering from a severe cold, played in goal.

From the kick off Westy attacked, and Skene had to clear from Muir, Maunder and Brown.

Then Muir sent over a perfect centre, which Maunder put into the net. The lead was soon reduced, as Mayfield made a determined rush, and James skied the ball in front of goal; Coolahan ran out, but the ball hit Gill, and went in to the goal, and Coolahan hit the ground. Mayfield's supporters went wild with delight, but their joy was short lived, as West Wallsend soon took the lead, Sinclair drawing the defence, and then pushed ahead for Maunder to race in and score. From the centre kick McLauchlan scored after some clever work. Mayfield here became disorganized, and West Wallsend did as they liked with the ball. Before half time five more goals were scored—Maunder 2, Muir 2, and Sinclair scoring goals. With a score of 8 goals against them Mayfield could not withstand the shock, and the "Blue" forwards scored at will. Erickson who had played right half went centre, changing with Maunder; he scored 4 goals, Sinclair 4, and Muir 3; almost every player of the winners got a goal, the final tally being 25 to 1.

Up to 21 goals Mayfield's team kept the field, then some of them being disgusted with the score left the field.

ROVERS v. WESTY, R.C. GAME.

The early game at the Tramway last Saturday between Wallsend Rovers and West Wallsend in the Richardson Cup, was a keen contest, and good football was shown.

West Wallsend had a slight wind behind them, and gave Rovers a busy time defending. Richardson missed a golden chance to score early in the game, but made amends later when "Porky" Coolahan sent in a lovely centre which "Richo" quickly netted. Garaty should have evened the scores, as he missed badly when in good position. Westy increased their score, when Nott from half way punted into the goal. The Rovers backs hindered their goalie (Tredennick), who knocked the

ball on to Dellaca, from whom it went into the net. With a lead of two goals the "Blues" played hard, and Tredennick was called upon to clear many times, from a high centre by James, Dellaca headed for goal, when the Rover's goalie fisted him under the ear, and he had to receive ambulance treatment. This took all the sting out of Norman. The score at half time was—West Wallsend 2, Rovers nil.

In the second half Rovers tried hard to break through, but met with sound defence. The work of Duck, left half, and Nott and Abrahams being great, and Rovers failed to open their score. From a good passing bout Kaiser tried to score, but Walker saved, and Wardle, in attempting to clear, kicked up against James, the ball going to Richardson, who smartly put into the net. With three goals behind Rovers still tried very hard, but to no purpose, and West Wallsend go into the next round, and will take some beating.

Joe Duck played a fine game at left half for the winners. D. Kaiser also did good work in the forwards, but was too selfish, and lost the ball in trying to beat too many defenders. West Wallsend backs were a better pair than the losers. Wardle failed badly when put to the pinch. Garaty played a hard game for Rovers. A protest has been entered against the winners.

West Wallsend think they will lift both the senior and junior State championship this season, and thereby create a record in this respect (a tall order).

Wallsend claim that the Gardiner Cup will rest in their town, and keep the Ellis Cup company.

SHERWIN WILLIAMS CUP.

Cardiff again met Swansea at Young Wallsend ground, and after 90 minutes play, 1 goal each had been scored. Extra time was played, but no finality was reached. These teams provided one of the best junior games of the season, and Cardiff, although only a fourth grade team, fully extended Swansea, and Chapman the Fishermen's goalie, played a marvellous game, and his performance was responsible for the draw being played. The shot that did pass him was a dandy. Whitson secured in midfield, passed to centre, received again and shot hard and low. Chapman dived, but the ball had entered the net. The

match will be replayed to-day, and extra time will be again played if necessary.

In the early game Holmesville (2) met Boolaroo, and the latter team succeeded in getting one into the net, and thus ousted Holmesville from the Sherwin Williams Cup. This competition is producing some very fine football among the juniors, and the decision not to allow more than three re-graded players was a wise one; it enables the fourth grade teams to compete with equality with third graders.

THIRD GRADE RESULTS.

Killingworth played their last match in the Lyall Cup competition, defeating Islington by one goal to nil, after a very even game. Islington were without Spowatt and Morgan, but the substitutes performed well. This win puts Killy and Rovers on the one mark, but Rovers have one game to play and it points to Rovers taking the Lyall Cup for season 24-25. The three sure semi-finalists are Killingworth, Rovers and West Wallsend, while Adamstown look the most likely out of Boolaroo, Dudley and Adamstown. This competition has been very keen, and although regrades were granted, only one team with any number of regrades has been successful.

UNDER 18.

Merewether defeated Newtown 5 goals to nil. By the victory they finish level with Adamstown and to-day they meet to decide who will oppose West Wallsend in the final. The last meeting Merewether defeated Adamstown, and they expect to repeat the dose to-day.

UNDER 16.

The protest lodged by Hamilton failing, the draw for the semi-finals was made, with the following result—

Cardiff v Kia Ora.
Merewether v West Wallsend.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES.

Tramway Ground.

Gardiner Cup.

West Wallsend v Gladstones 3.15. Referee: Mr. W. Wright.

Under 18 or B Grade.
Merewether v Adamstown. Referee: Mr. Sanderson.

Senior.

Kurri v New Lambton, 3.15. Referee: Mr. Joss Bartley.

Neath v Cessnock, 3.15. Referee: Mr. A. Wright.

Weston v Adamstown, 3.15. Referee: Mr. F. Rizzoli.

At Young Wallsend.

Sherwin Williams Cup.
Swansea v Cardiff, 3.15. Referee: Mr. C. Nix.

Under 16—Semi-Final.
Cardiff v Kia Ora, 1.45. Referee: Mr. W. Hughes.

IN SYDNEY.

Wentworth Park, 3.15.

Wallsend v Fernleigh. Referee: Mr. Reay.

SYDNEY GAME.

Arrangements have been made to have results of Gardiner Cup fixture in Sydney posted at Tramway Ground.

SEND-OFF TO SKIPPER JOE WARDLE.

Quite a pleasant little function took place at Wallsend on Tuesday night, when a send-off was tendered Mr. Joe Wardle, on his selection of skipper to New South Wales team to Queensland. A good evening was spent, and a successful trip was the wish of all present.

A CORRECTION.

In last issue of the "News" Kia Ora were credited with being the only northern team undefeated. West Wallsend under 18 also went through the competition undefeated, this being the second year they have remained undefeated.

WEST WALLSEND v. GLADSTONES.

Patrons can be assured of a good exhibition of football at the Tramway to-day. Westy have all their stars available, and will not hear of defeat. Gladstones team include the Australian 'keeper, Cartwright, also full-back Gallen. Patrons who saw Cartwright in action on the Show Ground in the fourth Test match know his ability as a custodian of the goals, and Maunders will be looking for the weak spots to score. That a good hard game will be played the writer has no doubt, and the winning team will not be far ahead in goals scored. I, however, expect the Blues to win.

West Wallsend are giving Gladstones a dinner after the game.

WALLSEND v. FERNLEIGH.

Wallsend will meet Fernleigh in Sydney at Wentworth Park, and another good game should be seen. Wallsend are being entertained by Fernleigh after the game. It is pleasing to note that the social side has been catered for. It creates a good feeling amongst the players of both teams, and stimulates interest in the visits of inter-district teams.

WESTON v. ADAMSTOWN.

Weston are slowly but surely creeping up in the competition table, and if the Buds can avert defeat they will be lucky. Weston, at the present time are in a winning vein, and are optimistic enough to count on being in the semi-final four, and repeat last season's performance. They stick to their same victorious eleven to carry them through. The Buds, however, will not throw any chances away, and claim they will bring Weston's run of successes to a climax.

NEATH v. CESSNOCK.

Maitland part of the district have plenty of games to-day, and the neighbouring teams, Neath and Cessnock meet at Neath. Cessnock expect to get two points, but Neath are no mugs on their home ground, and the Nocks will know they have been playing.

KURRI v. NEW LAMBTON.

Kurri will oppose New Lambton at Kurri to-day, and are trying out Keeling and McManus in the hope of strengthening their chance of winning the State event. The Chatrocks, although well down the table, will give the green and whites a lively 90 minutes.

Swansea, Holmesville and Cardiff are all anxious for the trip to Gosford. Mr. Jim Boyd, treasurer, Gosford Club, is the person to communicate with.

Booralee, Rovers, Botany, desire to visit this city. Any club desiring to accept communicate with Hon. Secretary N.D.B.F.A.

PERSONS ALLOWED IN DRESSING ROOM.

On account of the remarks made by supporters and officers of clubs on Saturday last to the referee in the dressing rooms entrance, the committee have decided not to allow persons other than players in the dressing room unless a ticket is produced.



MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.

Metropolitan Soccer Football Association.

Standing:—J. Black, F. West, S. Storey, J. Macdougall, R. Midgely, A. Peaty, S. Howard.

Sitting:—F. Langford (Asst. Hon. Sec.), F. Packer (Hon. Treas.), W. Lincoln (President), S. Stack (Hon. Sec.), R. Storey (Hon. Registrar).

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	Senior					Goals				
	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts			
Wallsend	13	8	1	4	25	16	20			
West Wallsend	14	9	4	1	49	12	19			
Adamstown	14	7	5	2	18	13	16			
Cessnock	11	6	2	3	20	11	15			
Weston	11	5	5	1	22	22	11			
Kurri Kurri	12	5	7	0	20	24	10			
New Lambton	13	3	7	3	10	19	9			
Neath	13	2	7	4	14	22	8			
Mayfield	11	2	9	0	11	50	4			

Third Grade

	Goals					Goals				
	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts			
Rovers	13	11	2	0	28	7	22			
Killingworth	14	10	2	2	26	17	22			
West Wallsend	13	8	2	3	23	12	19			
Adamstown	13	8	3	2	23	22	18			
Boolaroo	14	7	3	4	27	14	18			
Dudley	13	6	3	4	34	20	16			
Teralba	14	6	4	4	20	27	16			
Islington	13	6	4	3	22	22	15			
Minmi	14	6	6	2	21	14	14			
Holmesville	14	5	5	4	22	20	14			
Swansea	12	3	3	6	21	15	12			
Barnsley	14	3	9	2	19	29	8			
Young Wallsend	14	2	10	2	7	24	6			
New Lambton	14	1	13	0	4	5	2			
Mayfield	13	0	13	0	6	45	0			

Under 18 (or B Grade)

	Goals					Goals				
	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts			
West Wallsend	4	4	0	0	14	1	8			
Merewether	5	2	1	2	11	9	6			
Adamstown	5	3	2	0	9	9	6			
Rovers	5	2	2	1	13	4	5			
Broadmeadow	4	1	2	1	5	9	3			
Newtown	5	0	5	0	2	22	0			

The N.S.W. junior team left for Queensland last Wednesday. A good time is promised. The tour should be a successful one.

MONDAY'S MEETING.

Three Delegates Allowed.

Every club is entitled to send three delegates to next Monday's adjourned meeting of the Metropolitan Association, and it is important that all delegates should be present.

GENERAL NOTES.

Members of the sub-committee which brought in the district report did not desire to camouflage the issue as was stated last Monday night. They wanted the delegates to give a free vote for the game, and not for the particular interest they represent.

It was fortunate that Mr. Leeson, President of the Tasmanian Council, was present to assist in the close vote at the Sports Club the other night. He surely was an unbiased scrutineer.

The only issue that there should be on Monday night is Western Suburbs v Gladsville. Everybody seems satisfied with the other districts, Balmain, Granville, Pyrmont, Annandale-Leichhardt, Canterbury, St. George, Sydney.

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PROGRAMME

WENTWORTH ROVAL, 3.15 P.M.

Balmain Fernleigh Wallsend

Referee: Mr. J. Reay. Line Messrs. A. Young and S. Boyd.

BALMAIN FERNLEIGH.
(Blue and Halves)

3—J. FISHER	1—R. LEADBETTER	2—W. BYERS	6—H. WALLACE
	4—E. FERRIER	5—S. PEEL	
7—G. TURNER	8—A. LAUHLAN	9—J. CRAIG (One to goal)	11—F. BAXTER
10—J. GILMORE	9—T. DAVIDSON	7—R. URWIN	12—A. LAPPAN
5—J. JOHNSON	2—T. MOORE	6—W. CRAIG	3—E. OWEN

Reserves—Wallsend: 11—K. Urwin; 12—S. Druery.

WENTWORTH, 1.45 P.M.

Pyrmont v. Man Rangers

Referee: McLay.

1—G. BOOTH	2—G. CLIFTON	5—J. GRAY
3—W. ANDERSON	4—G. WOOD	9—W. RUSHTON
6—A. McLEAN	7—A. GOLDEN	10—C. JOHNSTON
8—L. DAVIE	16—A. CRAIG	8—H. FREE
5—R. MILLINGTON	1—G. McCOY	11—T. HODGSON

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THE COMPETITIONS.

Last Saturday was one of surprises. In the First Grade, though good matches were anticipated, it was not expected that both Alex Mission A and St. Johns Bal. A would bite the dust. At Hurlstone Park the Mission were 2 up, within five minutes of the kick off. After a hard game of sparkling footer, the Congs. netted the remaining three of the five goals scored in the match. Lindsay, Elphinstone and the two Roberts played fair football. St. Pauls and St. Johns provided a fine exhibition of the code, the Balmain boys being defeated by the same score as the Mission.

The competition is between these two teams, and St. Johns are a point in the lead. There are, however, two more matches to be played, and it would be futile to attempt to pick the winner.

St. Johns should have an easy victory, but Lakemba Congs A say they will have the Mission thinking.

Another surprise was seen in the Second Grade K.O. Alex Congs outclassed Austens in every department of the game. The game was fairly even until half-time, when Austens seemed to fall away. Holt, Harmon, and Harrison were in good form. Though the Higgins Bros. tried hard they could not avert defeat at the hands of All Saints, mainly owing to the good work. Curly and Hill, Newtown Congs A, ran all over L'hardt Pres.

A great match was seen in what eventuated as the final of 2nd Grade A Division. Within 20 minutes to go Dul. Hill Bap. was leading 1-0, when Holy Trinity equalised. It was not till just on full time that Trinity scored the third and last goal of the day. F. Grey and A. Young played well. This is only Holy Trinity's second season in the P.C.S.F.A. Last season they played 3rd Grade, while this year the grading committee decided to put them in 2nd grade. Their action has been well endorsed. Sec. Dennis is justly proud of his team.

St. Silas defeated Botany Meth. B after a great game at Botany. The scores, 3-1, were a true reflex of the game. Alex Mission B had St. Bartholomews thinking all right. Both teams were out to win, and a draw was a fair re-

sult. St. Stephen N and Newtown Congs B also gave a good clean exhibition.

St. Aidans B held St. Johns Glebe well until just on half time when the Maroons went to pieces, and then the Dale boys seemed to break up. Collard and Mantle were in the limelight. Lakemba Congs B won their division on Saturday by defeating St. Bedes 2-0. It was a good game, but the better team undoubtedly won. Lakemba Congs B now have a five point lead win—only two matches to go.

Shepherd and Nichols, Butler and Pardo were very much in evidence in the early match at Hurlstone Park.

St. George.

According to Ref. Crutchley the best game played under the jurisdiction of the Churches was seen last Saturday, when Campsie Meth. met and defeated Kogarah Presb. 1-0. Shepley's goal was a winner all the way. Campsie Meth. will meet Carlton Meth. A next week and should toss them. This will give them the competition.

Branches.

The Western Suburbs branch meeting was held on 13th, and about 20 teams were promised for 1925. An organising committee (all non-players) was appointed.

The South Sydney Branch meeting will be held in St. Silas School Hall, 87 Botany Road, Waterloo on Monday next, at 8 p.m.

H. Playford.

Teams will be glad to hear that Harry, who is in the Western Suburbs Cottage Hospital, is progressing favorably. However, that does that mean that you need not visit him.

Presentation of Trophies.

The fifth annual presentation of trophies will be held in the I.O.O.F. Temple, Elizabeth Street City, on Wednesday, 1st October, at 7.45 p.m. The Hon. Secretary has a limited number of tickets for sale at 2/- each (including tax).

M.J.S.F.A.

The P.C.S.F.A. tenders its heartfelt sympathy to its contemporaries, the Metropolitan Junior Soccer F. Association, in respect of the sad tragedy at Fivedock last Saturday. Our sympathy and condolence are also forwarded to the bereaved parents.

LOS

A navy blue serge coat was lost at Leichhardt Flat last Saturday. Will finder please return to Mr. Ging, 10 Campbell Street, Glebe.

DRAW FOR SATURDAY, 30th AUGUST, 1924.

First Grade.

St. Pauls v Alex. Mission A, Botany, 3.15.
H. Park Congs v St. Johns Bal. A, Hurlstone Park, 3.15.
Ryde Meth. v St. Clements, L'hardt Flat, 3.15.
Lakemba Congs A v St. Aidans A, Wardell Rd. No. 2, 3.15.
Drum. Bap. the bye.

Third Grade A Division.

Newtown Congs B v St. Johns Bal., Centen. Pk. No. 1, 1.45.
St. Silas v St. Thomas, Erskineville, 3.15.
Alex. Mission B v St. Stephens, Botany, 1.45.
St. Bartholomews v St. Lukes, St. Peters No. 1, 3.15.
Botany Meth. B v St. Columba, Centen. Pk. No. 1, 3.15.

Third Grade B Division.

Lakemba Congs B v St. Johns Glebe, Wardell Rd. No. 3, 3.15.
St. Bedes v St. Stephens, Wardell Rd. No. 2, 1.45.
St. Aidans B v Annandale Meth, Wardell Rd. No. 3, 1.45.
H. Pk. Meths. v Canterbury Meth., Hurlstone Pk., 1.45.
Croydon Congs B v St. Lukes (Mosman), Centen. Pk. No. 2, 3.15.

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LEICHHARDT OVAL, 3.15 P.M.

SYDNEY v. PYRMONT RANGERS.

Referee: Mr. A. W. Bates.

SYDNEY
(Black and Blue)

Goal
H. GREAGG

1—S. G. MONTGOMERY

2—G. SMART

3—W. H. WILSON

4—L. FORRESTER

11—A. OWEN

5—J. BURNS 7—R. H. FITZPATRICK

8—T. ROBSON

9—H. J. SHERRINGHAM

10—F. L. MELLIER-SMITH

6—E. OSBORNE

7—J. BURCHAM

9—E. ROBINSON

3—C. TIMMS

10—J. GIGG

5—J. SHIPLEY

11—G. KELSO

2—J. CRUM

14—L. STOREY

1—S. ROBINSON

F. ANDERSON

Goal

PYRMONT RANGERS

(Blue with White V and White Cuffs)

Reserves—Sydney: 12—A. Gallagher; 14—D. Christie; 15—H. Graham.
Reserves—Pyrmont Rangers: 8—E. Whittaker; 13—Hayton.

EARLY MATCH, 1.45 P.M.

GLADESVILLE v. SOUTH SYDNEY.

(Red)

(Claret, Blue Sleeves, Claret Cuffs)

Referee: Mr. L. Gill.

SYDNEY CRICKET GROUND No. 2, 3.15 P.M.

TWO BLUES v. AUBURN

Referee: Mr. A. E. Court.

Linesmen: Messrs. J. O'Toole and O. L. Harber.

TWO BLUES

(Light and Dark Blue)

Goal

C. CALLAGHAN

1—E. RIGBY

2—E. BAINBRIDGE

3—N. HILL

4—G. HOPKINS

5—T. CROFT

6—C. MACE

7—E. HOUSTON

8—W. GALLOWAY

9—E. WALDON

10—H. FLYNN

10—E. BRUYERES

9—M. LEABEATER

8—J. SIMMONDS

7—MALCOLM

6—R. DUNN

5—MORRIS

4—J. PICKEN

3—C. O'CONNOR

2—T. AMOS

1—STEVENS

L. EVANS

Goal

AUBURN

(Black and White Halves)

Reserves—Two Blues: 11—S. Hawksley.

EARLY MATCH, 1.45 P.M.

ANNANDALE ALTONA v. MANLY

(Blue and White)

(Scarlet and Blue)

Referee: Mr. G. McGrath.

CLYDE OVAL

GRANVILLE v. GLADESVILLE

Referee: Mr. J. Lester

GRANVILLE

(Black and White Stripes)

Goal

E. ATCHISON

1—C. LEABEATER

2—J. COMRIE

3—L. LEABEATER

4—A. HENDERSON

5—H. SPURWAY

6—H. WINTER

7—G. MILNER

8—J. COOK

9—F. RAMSAY

10—J. HELE

10—E. BROWN

9—H. HENSON

8—W. BILLINGS

7—G. MACFARLANE

6—H. ROBERTSON

5—D. FOWLER

4—W. MAIZEY

3—H. GAY

2—J. LYON

1—E. PONT

J. FOWLER

Goal

GLADESVILLE

(Red)

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Reserves—Gladesville: 11—S. O. Else.



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The Metropolitan Juniors

PRIMROSE PARK.

United Juniors, v Marrickville Avoca.

Before a very good attendance United Juniors met Marrickville Avoca for the second time this season, and like the first game the result was a draw.

The first half was very evenly contested, and both custodians were called upon to save their citadels from numerous attacks. United Juniors were the first to score through the agency of J. Sarchfield, whose shot from close range gave Ogle not a chance as his view of the ball was marred by his own backs. This reverse livened the Avocas, and from a free kick they were nearly in, but Howarth saved cleverly; not to be denied they came again, and a good shot from the right wing by Jones, hit the cross bar and rebounded into play, and Platt meeting the rebound with his head made no mistake. The scores at half time were one all.

On resuming Marrickville had the best of the play, and finally took the lead. It was not long before Juniors drew level, J. Sarchfield again being in the lime-light, catching Ogle with the ball, and bustling him into goals.

For the remaining 15 minutes of play excitement was intense, with two teams straining to gain the lead; Marrickville Avoca were having the best of matters, and kept Howarth busy. Within the last few minutes Avocas stormed the Juniors goal, and a solid drive from Platt seemed a certainty, but Howarth brought off a beautiful save.

Avocas to a man played good football, with perhaps Hill a shade the best on the day. United Juniors outstanding man was Howarth, who saved brilliantly on numerous occasions. United's weakness was their forward line, which did not combine with its usual dash, the players having too much of a tendency to leave their positions.

THE EARLY FIXTURE.

Last Saturday in the early fixture at Primrose Park, Sydenham created a surprise by defeating Leichhardt Juniors (who previous-

ly defeated Sydenham 4 goals to nil), three goals to one. From the start Sydenham attacked their opponents goal, and kept it up till lemon time. Two of their goals were really good ones, and the result of some good combined play in which everyone of their greatly improved forwards took part.

In the second half Leichhardt Juniors did most of the attacking, but through weakness of the forwards threw away many good opportunities; they were able, however, to net one goal before the final whistle blew.

The result of this match practically spoils Leichhardt Juniors' chance of winning the All-Age competition, as with only two matches to go, they are four points behind the leaders—United Juniors. A defeat to the Juniors will place Avocas a point in the lead, as there is only one point separating these teams.

Other Fixtures.

Kenilworth who have improved considerably during the season accounted for Pyrmont Refinery by 7 goals to 1.

In the Charity Cup knock-out Sydney and Lilyfield A accounted for Annandale Altonas and Kangaroos respectively.

All matches in the B Grade knock-out were evenly contested. Banksmeadow and Leichhardt Juniors only beating Newtown and Lilyfield respectively by the odd goal. While St. Peters defeated Sunlight 2—0. In the next round Banksmeadow meets Leichhardt Juniors, while St. Peters have the bye.

In the C Grade knock-out Newtown Iona and Warren Iona, also Botany Rechabites and Annandale Federals played a draw, while Rozelle Waratah accounted for Banksmeadow 2—0; Lilyfield for Warren Avoca 3—2, and Rozelle Fernleigh for St. Peters 2—0.

Richardson Cup.

Sydenham, the only team from this Association in the above Cup have been drawn against Balgownie, whom they will meet on Primrose Park on Saturday, the 30th inst., at 1.45 p.m. A good game is looked forward to as Balgownie

is one of the leading teams of the Coast, and Sydenham is expected, if their form holds, to make a great game of the fixture.

The deepest sympathy and regret of all Soccer supporters will go out to the relatives and friends of the late player, Little, of the Lilyfield C Grade team, and of 139 Cecily Street, Lilyfield, who died on Monday, the 18th inst., as a result of injuries received on the football field on Saturday last.

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COMPETITION TABLES TO AUG. 2nd.

Local News Cup.

A Grade.

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Carlingford	11	10	1	0	58	12	21
Hornsby	12	8	2	2	46	15	18
Gladesville	11	6	2	3	40	20	14
West Ryde	11	5	2	4	22	21	12
Concord Blue	11	6	0	5	28	18	12
Ryde	12	4	3	5	29	36	11
Concord Red	12	1	1	10	16	45	3
Roseville	12	0	1	11	8	78	2

BIRCH CUP.

C Grade.

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
West Ryde	11	9	0	2	23	4	18
Ryde	11	6	1	4	24	11	13
Gladesville	11	6	1	4	16	10	13
Drummoyne	11	3	2	6	10	15	8
Hornsby	11	2	3	6	11	28	7
Concord	11	2	1	8	8	19	5

The St. George Association

GREAT PROGRAMME TO-MORROW.

Soccer followers will have the pleasure to-morrow to see the best programme of the season at the St. George Sports Ground. On No. 1 ground the curtain-raiser will be Arncliffe v St. George. This should be a most attractive game, as both teams at present are playing at their top, and it will be hard to predict the winner. A great crowd is expected from Arncliffe.

The late match will be Pyrmont Rangers (who are leading in the Metropolitan Senior Second Division competition) v St. George.

In the first round St. George beat Pyrmont Rangers, at Wentworth Park Oval 3 to 1. Pyrmont are producing better football than St. George at present, so a great game is anticipated.

On the No. 2 Sports Ground the St. George Protestant Churches Association will play their final at 1.45—Campsie Methodists v Carlton.

The late match is Kogarah v Cronulla, 3.15. Everything depends upon the result of this match. Kogarah cannot afford to lose or make a draw; at present they are leading with Penshurst United; the latter team have the easiest task with Lancashire, who have failed to record a win this season, but the unexpected often happens. However, it is on the cards that if both Kogarah and Penshurst United win to-morrow a final will take place on the St. George Sports Ground next Saturday, the 30th, to decide the premiership of the St. George district.

STATE JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Arncliffe, the winners of the A Grade (under 21 years) St. George premiership, with a goal average of 77 against 9, are drawn to play Auburn in the Richardson Cup (which carries with it the State junior championship) to-morrow at Clyde Oval, at 1.45. If Arncliffe can be successful to beat Auburn they should have a good chance to win the championship of the State.

ST. GEORGE CHALLENGE CUP

Fourteen Entries Received.

The draw for the first round of the St. George Challenge Cup, which will be run on the same lines as the Gardiner State championship Cup, resulted as follows:—

Lakemba v Kogarah A.
Lancashire v Kogarah Pres.
Cronulla v Rockdale Wanderers
St. George Pres. v Penshurst United.

Arncliffe v Carlton Methodists.
Brighton v Marrickville Avoca.
Revesby Rovers v Kogarah B.

Where it is possible some of the matches for the first round will be played on Saturday, August 30th. Considering this being the first season of the Challenge Cup much interest will be displayed more particularly as 14 teams have entered.

Kogarah and Penshurst United Level.

Penshurst United easily accounted for Penshurst at Dumbleton by 4 goals to 0.

Kogarah just managed to beat Lancashire 4 goals to 3.

Cronulla beat Brighton at Cronulla 7 goals to 1.

The best match was at the Sports Ground between St. George and Hurstville. St. George won by a narrow margin by 1 goal to nil.

Last Saturday's Results.

Dye Cup.

Kogarah 4 (Pritchard, Soames, Hale, Storey), Lancashire 3 (Humbuston 2, Fernly).

St. George 1 (Hulbert), Hurstville 0.

Penshurst United 4, Penshurst 0.

Cronulla 7, Brighton 1.
Arncliffe the bye.

A Grade.

Rovers 1 (Sutton), Kogarah 0.
Brighton 3, Cronulla 1.

Tempe Park 6 (Arch 2, Ryder 2, Hazell, Alcott), Tempe Iona 2 (A. Knowles, A. Saxon).

Lancashire 6, Rockdale 2.
Arncliffe the bye.

C Grade.

St. George 1, Rockdale 0.
Arncliffe 3, Kogarah 0.

Banksia the bye.

St. George Boy Scouts.
Tempe Park 2, Ramsgate 1.
Bexley 1, Arncliffe 0.
Matches for To-morrow.

St. George Sports Ground.
No. 1 Ground—Dye Cup.
Arncliffe v St. George, 1.45.
First Grade.

Pyrmont Rangers v St. George, 3.15.

No. 2 Ground—St. George Protestant Churches Final.
Carlton v Campsie Methodists.
Dye Cup.

Kogarah v Cronulla, 3.15.
Other Matches.

Dye Cup.
Hurstville v Brighton, Cook Park, 3.15.

Penshurst United v Lancashire Dumbleton, 3.15.

C Grade Knock-out.
Kogarah v St. George, Cook Park, 1.45.

Banksia v Rockdale, Kogarah Park, 3.15.
Arncliffe the bye.

COMPETITION TABLE.

	Dye Cup.									
	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	P	pts	
Kogarah	17	13	3	1	0	85	22	22	34	
Pens. United.	17	11	2	3	1	46	15	22	28	
Arncliffe	17	10	2	4	1	46	6	28	26	
St. George	17	11	3	3	0	33	27	23	26	
Cronulla	17	6	6	5	0	35	33	17	17	
Hurstville	17	5	7	5	0	27	48	12	12	
Rockdale	17	6	6	2	0	31	28	12	12	
Penshurst	17	1	10	6	0	17	57	7	7	
Brighton	17	1	11	5	0	24	71	7	7	
Lancashire	17	0	13	4	0	24	61	4	4	

	A GRADE							
	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	
Arncliffe . .	18	14	1	1	2	77	9	38
Kogarah . .	18	12	3	1	2	69	13	27
Tempe Park .	18	10	5	1	2	57	22	26
Rovers . .	18	10	5	1	2	40	23	26
Lancashire .	18	9	5	2	2	37	32	26
Tempe Iona .	18	6	9	1	2	26	40	11
Rockdale . .	18	5	10	1	2	18	61	11
Brighton . .	18	2	14	0	2	14	68	11
Cronulla . .	18	0	16	0	2	13	73	4

	C GRADE									
	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	P	pts	
Arncliffe . .	15	11	1	0	3	37	10	24	24	
Kogarah . .	15	6	4	2	3	26	15	24	24	
St. George . .	15	6	5	1	3	30	18	24	24	
Banksia . .	15	3	5	4	3	22	25	18	18	
Rockdale . .	15	0	11	1	3	7	54	7	7	

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CANTERBURY DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

Lakemba (B Grade) caused a surprise in playing a 2-all draw with Campsie Athletics, the leaders of the competition.

From the commencement it looked as if the latter were going to have an easy win, but Lakemba were much stronger than previously. Bowman streaked along the line with the ball at toe, finishing with a beautiful goal. Lakemba strongly attacked, and two goals came in quick order, leaving them with the advantage of 2 to 1 at half time. After the spell play became very fast, each goalkeeper being fully tried out. From a scramble in Lake's area their left back unfortunately handled the ball; a penalty was awarded. Crowhurst's drive was stopped by the opposing custodian, and rebounding, Crowhurst followed up and scored. Athletics must consider themselves lucky, and will need to play better football to win the medals. It was noticed that Lake's had two under sixteen boys in the forwards, who played very well.

Lakemba No. 1 (A Grade leaders) easily accounted for their fellow club-mates of No. 2, winning by 9 to 1.

Revesby Rovers proved too good for Campsie Albions in their match on the former's ground, beating them by 4 to 1.

Hurlstone Park (C Grade) and Canterbury Park had a battle royal on Goodlet's Park, the result being 1 to nil in favor of the former, Menser scoring the only goal of the match.

Canterbury Park (A Grade) travelled to Wyong last week-end & played a friendly game against a local team, the game ending in a 2-all draw. The country club gave them a good reception and a fine time. Bury's are invited again; also any other team that desires to test their strength against them. See "Darky," and he will tell you about it.

FIXTURES FOR TO-DAY.

A Grade.
Canterbury Park v Lakemba No. 2, Goodlets, 3.15.
Lakemba No. 1 v Campsie Albions, Hospital, 3.15.
Revesby the bye.

B Grade.
Campsie Athletics v Bankstown, Canterbury Park, 3.15.

C Grade.
Lakemba v Canterbury Park Goodlets, 1.45.
Bankstown v Hurlstone Park, Bankstown, 3.15.
Albions the bye.

KEEP THE GAME GOING.

Then some matches are dull because the players are never allowed to get warm. This is sometimes the fault of the players themselves, and sometimes of the referees. The too-prompt and the too-insistent wielder of the whistle is apt to make for dull football, not only by reason of the stoppages he causes, but because fellows are put off. You probably know just what I mean if you have played at all. When you get right down to it the minute the game starts and keep at it with as few interruptions as possible, you feel just right, and give your best. The phrase I used above is perhaps the best of all—you "get warm."

Players, as well as referees, are often to blame for preventing teams as a whole from getting warm. There are full-backs who seem to think that the stands were made to kick the ball over, and whose ideas of defence appear to consist in slipping the ball out of play on the slightest excuse, and sometimes without excuse at all.

I know very well that in football the necessity for victory and the rights of the spectators often appear to clash. But it seems to me that we fellows in the game should do our best, as far as possible, to reduce the number of dull matches to a minimum. And the more completely we cut out the time-wasting the brighter the contests.—S.R.

THE REFEREES.

N.S.W. Examination Board.

The New South Wales Referees' Examination Board—Messrs. T. Crawford, W. Wright, and W. Cunningham, will conduct a Referees' examination at Newcastle to-night—Saturday, August 23rd—in Newcastle. An examination will probably be held on the South Coast on Saturday, August 30th.

PERSONAL.

Mr. F. W. Barlow, the grand old man of the game in the Commonwealth, is, his many friends will be pleased to learn, much better, and is able to take a keen interest in all our doings. It will be some time, however, before he will be able to take the same active part in the management of the game as of yore.

Mr. E. Leeson, President of the Northern Tasmanian Association, and chairman of the All-Tasmanian Council, was an interested listener to the debate on District Football at the special meeting the other night. Mr. Leeson is over here on business, but is taking the opportunity of consulting with the New South Wales and Commonwealth officials on Interstate and International matters, particularly on the question of the proposition of the English Football Association re the visit of a representative English team to Australia.

Mr. W. Lincoln, the President of the Metropolitan Association, frequently has a very arduous task. To handle over a hundred delegates in a very contentious debate in a room so unfitted for big meetings, as the long room at the Sports Club is no light job. Mr. Lincoln's services to the game were recognised in a suitable way recently.

Mr. T. Anderson, one-time President of the Protestant Churches Referees' Association, and now a member of the Sydney Referees' Association, made a very strong appeal for District Football the other night. A native of Glasgow, some of his references to Scottish Football evoked protest from some of the other Scotchmen present. Perhaps they were "thrawn wi' ain anither."

Mr. Reub Henry, the Hon. Sec. of the Protestant Churches Association, is the live wire of that organisation. He is engaged in the commendable task at the present time of forming branches of his organisation in as many suburbs as possible. The present organisation will then be relieved of the necessity of itself conducting competitions.

THE METROPOLITAN SOCCER FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED 16th AUGUST, 1924.

State Championship.
Sydney beat Granville 3-2.
1st Grade 1st Division.
Balmain Gladstones beat Pyrmont Rangers 2-1.
Auburn beat Balmain Fernleigh 5-2.
Two Blues beat Gladesville 3-1.
2nd Division.
Rangers beat Lachlan Rangers 4-0.
Pyrmont beat Balmain Scottish 4-0.
West Sydney v St. George 2-0.
Canterbury beat Leichhardt 1-0.
Sunlight Cup.
Metters beat Drummoyne 6-1.
Sydney beat South Sydney 3-0.
Pyrmont beat Gladesville 3-0.
Campsie Thistle beat Booralee Rovers 3-1.
Annandale Albion beat Botany Albions 3-1.
Lilyfield Rangers beat Manly 5-0.
Eastern Suburbs beat Northern Suburbs 4-1.
Alexandria drew with Callan Park 2-2.
Sunlight beat Burns Club 3-0.
Garden Island beat Fire Brigades.
West Sydney forfeited to Bankstown.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE.

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	Goals
Granville	11	9	1	1	40	14	19	
Two Blues	11	5	2	4	16	13	14	
Auburn	12	4	4	4	16	18	12	
Bal. Gladstones	10	4	3	3	17	23	11	
Pyrmont Rgs.	11	3	5	3	23	21	9	
Sydney	10	2	3	5	15	13	9	
Gladesville	11	3	5	3	17	28	9	
Bal. Fernleigh	12	—	7	5	9	23	5	

Second Division

Rangers	13	9	2	2	41	13	20
Pyrmont	13	8	2	3	38	19	19
West Sydney	13	6	1	6	36	17	18
St. George	12	6	4	2	27	17	14
Leichhardt	12	5	5	2	25	20	12
Bal. Scottish	13	2	8	3	13	38	7
Lachlan Rgs.	13	3	10	—	20	45	6
Canterbury	13	2	9	2	19	51	6

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W. LINCOLN CUP.

1st DIVISION

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	Goals
Granville	4	3	—	1	15	5	7	
Two Blues	4	3	—	1	7	3	7	
Bal. Gladstones	4	3	1	—	5	3	6	
Gladesville	5	1	2	2	7	12	4	
Auburn	5	2	3	—	8	11	4	
Pyrmont Rgs.	4	1	3	—	8	8	2	
Bal. Fernleigh	5	—	3	2	7	14	2	
Sydney	3	—	1	2	2	3	2	

2nd DIVISION

West Sydney	6	4	—	2	18	5	10
Pyrmont	6	5	1	—	15	4	10
Rangers	6	4	1	1	23	2	9
Canterbury	6	2	3	1	7	25	5
Lachlan Rgs.	6	2	4	—	6	17	4
Leichhardt	5	1	3	1	4	5	3
St. George	5	1	4	—	7	10	2
Bal. Scottish	6	1	4	1	5	18	2

SUNLIGHT CUP.

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	Goals
Ann. Albion	3	3	—	—	12	1	6	
Metters	3	3	—	—	15	2	6	
Bankstown	3	3	—	—	4	1	6	
Alexandria	3	2	—	1	6	4	5	
Pyrmont	3	2	—	1	6	1	5	
Sydney	3	2	—	1	7	2	5	
Sunlight	3	2	—	1	11	3	5	
Eastern Subs.	3	2	—	1	10	4	5	
Garden Island	3	2	—	1	3	2	5	
Lilyfield Rgs.	3	2	1	—	9	6	4	
Campsie Thistle	3	2	1	—	5	3	4	
Botany Albions	3	1	1	1	9	6	3	
Callan Park	3	1	1	1	5	9	3	
Booralee Rov.	3	1	2	—	6	8	2	
West Sydney	3	—	2	1	2	4	1	
Manly	3	—	2	1	4	14	1	
Fire Brigades	3	—	3	—	1	6	0	
Gladesville	3	—	3	—	1	9	0	
South Sydney	3	—	3	—	0	12	0	
Northern Subs.	3	—	3	—	2	7	0	
Drummoyne	3	—	3	—	4	12	0	
Burns Club	3	—	3	—	1	9	0	

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES.

Gardiner Cup.

Bal. Fernleigh v Wallsend.
Wentworth Park Oval, 3.15. (Mr. H. Reay).

Bal. Gladstones v West Wallsend, Tramway Ground, Newcastle. (Mr. W. Wright).

Fifth Series.

Auburn v Two Blues, Sydney Cricket Ground No. 2, 3.15. Mr. A. Court).

Pyrmont Rangers v Sydney Leichhardt Oval, 3.15. (Mr. A. W. Bates).

Seventh Series.

Gladesville v Granville, Clyde Oval, 3.15. (Mr. J. Lester).

Second Division, 7th Series.

Lachlan Rangers v Pyrmont, Wentworth Park Oval, 1.45. (Mr. G. McLay).

Rangers v St. George, St George Sports Ground, 3.15. (Mr. T. Anderson).

Bal. Scottish v Leichhardt, Ibrox Park, 3.15. (Mr. T. Leighton).

West Sydney v Canterbury, Canterbury, 3.15. (Mr. A. C. Kerr).

SUNLIGHT CUP.

Fourth Round.

Pyrmont v Campsie, Ibrox Pk., 1.45 (Mr. A. Cockwell).

Gladesville v South Sydney, Leichhardt Oval, 1.45 (Mr. L. Gill).

Booralee Rovers v Metters, Waterloo, 1.45 (Mr. A. White).

Sydney v Botany Albions (Mr. G. Skelly).

Annandale Alt. v Manly, S.C.G. No. 2, 1.45 (Mr. McGrath).

Callan Park v Garden Island, Callan Park, 2.15 (L. Pattison).

Lilyfield Rangers v Burns Club (W. Clark).

Fire Brigades v Bankstown (H. Battin).

Sunlight v North Sydney (J. Hopper).

MATCHES OUTSTANDING AFTER TO-DAY.

Bal. Gladstones v Gladesville (re-play).

Fourth Series.

Bal. Fernleigh v Bal. Gladstones.
Pyrmont Rgs. v Two Blues.

Sydney v Granville.

Fifth Series.

Gladesville v Bal. Gladstones.

Sixth Series.

Bal. Gladstones v Granville.
Auburn v Sydney.

Bal. Fernleigh v Pyrmont Rgs.

Seventh Series.

Two Blues v Sydney.

Second Division.

Leichhardt v St. George (deferred).

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